

**NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT WASTEWATER
DISCHARGE PERMIT**

PERMIT NO: WA-002257-8

FACILITY: City of Lynden Wastewater Treatment Plant
800 South 6th Street
Lynden, Whatcom County

The City of Lynden has applied for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Chapter 173-220 Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and the Federal Clean Water Act.

The City of Lynden Wastewater Treatment Plant presently operates an activated sludge extended aeration wastewater treatment plant which is designed to handle an average/maximum daily flow of 2.18 MGD. The wastewater, following treatment, must meet the requirements of the Washington State Water Pollution Control Act and applicable regulations for a permit to be issued. Following evaluation of the application and other available information, a draft permit has been developed which would allow the discharge of treated municipal wastewater into the Nooksack River.

A tentative determination has been made on the effluent limitations and special permit conditions that will prevent and control pollution. A final determination will not be made until all timely comments received in response to this notice have been evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION

The draft permit and fact sheet may be viewed at the Department of Ecology (Department) website: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/northwest_permits.html. The application, fact sheet, proposed permit, and other related documents are also available at the Department's Northwest Regional Office for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm weekdays. To obtain a copy or to arrange to view copies at the Northwest Regional Office, please call Sally Perkins at (425) 649-7190, email at sper@ecy.wa.gov

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed permit. All comments must be submitted within 30 days after publication of this notice to be considered for the final determination. Comments should be sent to:

Mark Henderson
Department of Ecology
Bellingham Field Office
1204 Railroad Avenue
Suite 200
Bellingham, WA 98225

Email comments should be sent to mhen461@ecy.wa.gov

Any interested party may request a public hearing on the proposed permit within 30 days of the publication date of this notice. The request for a hearing shall state the interest of the party and the reasons why a hearing is necessary. The request should be sent to the above address. The Department will hold a hearing if it determines that there is significant public interest. If a hearing is to be held, public notice will be published at least 30 days in advance of the hearing date. Any party responding to this notice with comments will be mailed a copy of a hearing public notice.

Please bring this public notice to the attention of persons who you know would be interested in this matter. The Department is an equal opportunity agency. If you have a special accommodation needs, please contact Tricia Miller at (425) 649-7201 or TTY (for the speech and hearing impaired) at (800) 833-6388

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